LESS CONFIDENCE IN THE MARKET

Opening But List Wavered and Then Went Backward.

Active Speculators Were on Hand to Lick Up All Available Funds
Despite Criticism—Treasury Relief
Not Realized Yet—Sales of the Day

Texas & Pacific
Toledo, St. Louis & West. 34
Toledo, St. Louis & West pfd 52
Union Pacific and Closing Quotations.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The advance in price of stock wavered and finally turned backwards again during the day. There was some realizing of yesterday's considerable rise which served partly to account for the reaction. There was besides a fresh advance in the rates for call money and less confidence as a result of the inadequacy of money offered by the treasury department to carry the money market through the converging demand of the Janto carry the money market through the converging demand of the January settlements. With the reaction in the market there was some shrinkage in the run of activity from that source. There has been no actual movement of funds included in the treasury's offers yet as none of it has come into the possession of the banks owing to delays in securing and the acceptance of bonds for security for deposits and the formalities required to sell U. S. 4 per cents under the treasury plan.

The liberal offering of funds yesterday were thus to some extent a cause of the expected increase in resources before they were in hand. This disposition on the part of the active speculators to lick up funds available comes in for its share of criticism. It is also true, however, that the sentimental effect of action of the treesure substitute. of the treasury authorities was to release sums which had been held out of the money market for higher rate and which stiffened up the rate again today.

The long expected announcement of subscription rights to Great North ern preferred stock and the quotation of the rights of outside market was allowed by a violent decline in the stock which chilled sspeculative sentiments.

sentiments.

Te money markets were harder in London. Paris and Berlin today but allowing exchange rate in reacted in response to our own stronger money market.

There was increase selling pressure on stock late in the day and the closing tone was easy at general declines. Bonds were irregular. Total sales par value \$2,092,000. U. two's advanced 1-8 ped cent on call. Total sales (\$49,800 shares. Copper 79,500; American Cotton Oil 300; American Cotton Oil pfd., 100;

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Baltimore Market.
BALTIMORE, MD., Dec. 12.—Flour—dull, unchanged.
Wheat—easier; spot contract 74 3-4 a 75; spot No. 2, red western 78 a 1-4; steamer No. 2 red 68 1-2 a 74; southern by sample 57 a 60.
Corn—easier; spot old 50 7-8 a 51; steamer mixed 46 1-2 a 3-4; new southern white corn 47 a 49 1-4; new southern corn 46 3-4 a 49.
Oats—steady; No. 2 white, 48.

THE HEADLESS BANDIT.

Queer Story From the Archives of the Vienna Courts.

Dr. Loye, a French physician, who grently interested himself in the question, "What passes in the head of a decapitated human being?" related the following remarkable story, which he stated was taken from the archives of the Vienna courts: It was in the year - that Schoenenburg, a well known bandit, and four of his associates were aught and condemned to death. They were already on their knees ready to pay the penalty of their bloody deeds by submitting to the awful fate of decapitation when Schoenenburg addressed the judge, asking that his four compantons might be pardoned on certain conditions. "If," asked the bandit, "after I am beheaded I get up and walk to the first of my comrades, will you pardon him?" The judge thought that he was pretty safe in complying with the request, "Then," continued Schoenenburg, "if I walk to the second, the third and the fourth, will you pardon them also?" The judge replied that if such a miraculous feat could be performed he would obtain pardons for the other three also. The bandit was now satisfied, and, bending his head, he received the fatal blow. stantly the head rolled down in the sand, but to the surprise and horror of all present the headless trunk arose and walked alone, Almiessly, it appeared, the body walked around until it passed the first, the second, the third and the fourth condenned bandit, when it fell down and became motionless. Query, "How could a headless body think?"

GRUB STREET IN NEW YORK.

A Gastronomic Assignment and the Fate of an Epic.

story is told of a poet who came to the metropolis with a completed epic. This found no acceptance, so after cursing the stupidity of the publie and the publishers he took to writ-ing "Sunday stuff." Soon the matter of fact attitude of the workers around with the practical view of the market be acquired, led him to doubt the literary value of the work he had done in the sentimental atmosphere of his native place.

Frequently a commission to write a column of humor a week came to him, and he cut his epic into short lengths. tacked a squib on each fragment and eventually succeeded in printing it all as humor at a price many times larger than the historic one brought by "Para

Another newcomer brought unsalable plays and high notions of the austerity of the artistic vocation. Three months after his arrival he was delighted to get a commission to write the hand utilitarian publisher proposed to sell to visitors seeing the metropolis This commission brought not only a fair payment for the manuscript on de livery, but involved a vital secondary consideration. The title of the work was "Where to Eat In New York," and its preparation made it necessary for the author to dine each evening for a month in a different cafe at the proprietor's expense .- James H. Collins in Atlantic.

There is an average of three new foreign automobiles coming to New York city each day.

A SISTER'S COURAGE.

Presence of Mind of an Eighteenth Century Irish Woman.

In looking over some family papers and bundles of old letters I discovered one by Mrs. Jeffereys of Blarney castle, County Cork, which contains an account of a circumstance interesting In itself as an instance of heroism on the part of the narrator toward her brother, the Earl of Clare, and so valuable as bringing to light a remarkable event connected with the history of those troubled times that I feel I am only discharging a duty in submitting It to the notice of the editor.

The letter is dated 9 Molesworth street, July, 1807, and, among other matters, Mrs. Jeffereys writes as fol-"On the day Lord Fitzwilliam was

recalled, when my brother (as chancel-lor) was returning from the castle after having assisted at the swearing in of the newly arrived lord lieutenant, a feroclous mob of no less than 5,000 men and several hundred women as-sembled together in College green and all along the avenue leading to my brother's house. The male part of the insurgents were armed with pistols, cuttasses, sledges, saws, crowbars and every other weapon necessary to break open my brother's house, and the wo-men were all of them armed with their aprons full of paying stones. This ferocious and furious mob began to throw showers of stones into my brother's coach, at his coachman's head and his horses. They wounded my brother in the temple in College green, and if he had not sheltered himself by holding his great square official purse be-fore him he would have been stoned to death before he arrived (through the back yards at his own house, where with several smithy sledges they were working hard to break into his hall door, while others of them had ropes ready to fix up to his lamp iron to hang him the moment they could find him, when I arrived, disguised in my kitchen mald's dress, my blue apron full of stones. I mingled with this numerous mob and addressed a pale, sickly man, saying: 'My dear jey'l, what'll become of hus! I am after running from the castle to tell yeas all that a regiment of hos is galloping down here to thramof nos is gamping nown here to thram-ple hus, etc. Oh, yea, yea, where will we go? Then they cried: Hurry, hur-ry, the hos is coming to charge and thrample hus! Hurry for the custom house.' And in less than a moment the crowd dispersed.

"I then procured a surgeon for my brother and a guard to prevent another attack, and thus I saved Lord Clare's life at the risk of being torn limb from limb if I had been recognized by any of the mob."-London Notes and Que-

Delny In Divorces

"The underlying reason why so much time usually clapses between the fling of petition and the hearing or trial in divorce proceedings is not generally understood," remarked a lawyer who makes a specialty of this character of practice. "Perhaps it is within the circle of truth to say that in a majority of cases, if either husband or wife, whichever side be plaintiff, should 'stop, look and listen,' as it were, the trouble would be adjusted out of court entirely. As a rule, judges are inclined to afford ample time for domestic partners to ponder well before pursuing further toward legal redress for matrimonial difficulties. 'Divorce in haste and repent at leisure' is a logical paraphrase. Of course, if after ma-ture reflection a different opinion does not ensue, the average jurist would favor progressing the suit."-New York

Chills and Hot Daths.

Hot water bathing is beneficial in counteracting the effect of a chill. First, it undoes another mischief workthe chill. The latter has sent too much blood internally, so risking congestion. Heat brings the blood to the surface. Heat is not life, but it is one of the factors of life. Indeed, dissolution always occurs when the in-ternal bodily temperature is greatly lowered. Heat will not keep a body alive and great heat will kill it. In many morbid states of the system, as rheumatism, hot baths eve of great service. Warm baths are useless. The heat should be as great as can be orne without pain.

Fakirs is the name given to a cele brated class of fanatics found in many parts of the east, but more particularly in India. Some of them will make a posture and adhere to it strictly. ers never lie down, but remain in a standing position all their lives, up-held only by sticks or ropes under the armpits. They pretend to have sub-dued every passion of mortality.

When the poet Wordsworth died an old lady at Ambleside lost no time in telling the mournful news to an old and confidential manservant. "Ey, ey!" quoth Thomas. "It's a gre't loss mee doot, but efter a' it may not be sic a parlish loss as ye're coontin' on. Mrs. Wordsworth, they say, is a gey, clever body, and she'll be carryin' on the business, we may be sewer."

Father (to aspirant to the hand of his daughter)-Suppose I should fail and lose my last cent, would you still ask me for my daughter? Lover-Naturally. I know you to be a man capa ble of getting to work again and mak ing another fortune.-Il Mondo Umor

No matter how witty the sarcastic man is, he never seems to have a lot of friends.—Somerville Journal. MESMER'S METHODS.

He Influenced Patients by Sugges-tion, but Hid Real Power.

Mesmer published in 1773 his account of the marvelous cures effected by what he was pleased to term animal magnetism. When in 1778 he came to Paris he came with a well developed sense of the value of advertising. The campaign he inaugurated was of a character to disgust the conservative and thoughtful, but to take a sen sation loving populace by storm. extravagant tales of cures he had no complished in Berlin, Vienna and else where were noised abroad. Through a convert he challenged the physicians of Paris to enter into a contest with him, they to treat twelve patients by the orthodox methods, he to treat twelve by his. Of course this challenge was rejected, and equally of course its rejection was interpreted by the thoughtless as an acknowledgment of the superiority of Mesmer's treatment. His rooms were througed. His purse waxed constantly heavier.

The treatment he gave was such as to appeal vividity to the imagination of the patient—in a word, to increase his suggestibility. Suggestion, indeed, was its root element, although Mesmer failed or prefended to fail to recognize this and taught that its efficacy depended upon the effluence of a mysterious fluid. In a room dimly lighted and hang with mirrors the patients were seated about a circular vat of considerable size covered with a lid and containing various chemicals. A long cord connected the patients with one another, while in the lid of the tub were several holes, through each which passed an iron rod bent in such a way that its point could be applied to any part of a patient's body. The patients were requested not to speak the only sound in the room being strains of soft music. When expectaney was at its flood Mesmer would en ter clad in the robe of a magician and carrying an iron wand. At one patient he would gaze intently, and another he would stroke gently with his wand. Soon some would burst into laughter, others into tears, while still others would fall into convulsions, finally passing into a lethargic state, out of which, it is claimed, they emerged cured or on the highroad to a cure. Occasionally the treatment was given outdoors, a tree being "magnetized" and the patient collapsing in a swoon so soon as he approached it.—Appleton's Magazine,

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Quickly made friendships are quickly

Life's most desirable pleasures cost the least.

Sorrows of life enable us to appreci ate the joys thereof.

Robert Burton, the author of "The Anatomy of Melancholy," may claim this honor: His book has stood the test of time as few books have. Professor Saintsbury writes that "all fit readers of English literature have loved him." Lamb praises "the fantastic great old man" and, indeed, borrowed from him many a choice phrase. Among other remarkable "one book authors" may be mentioned Sir Thomas Malory, whose famous collection of Arthurian romances is one of the imperishable treasures of the English tongue; Richard Hooker, whose "Laws of Ecclesi-astical Polity" is still a standard book on the constitution of the Church of England, and Glibert White, whose immortal "Natural History of Selbourne" is still read with pleasure and profit.

A German View of Our Diet. Die Woche of Berlin tells its readers A German View of Our Diet.

Die Woche of Berlin tells its readers "what Americans eat," taking as a type the average New York business man. Hot cakes, quick lunch dishes, pie, Welsh rabbit, ice cream, grape fruit, oyster cocktalls, pork and beans and many other purely American and many other purely American dishes and ice water are referred to as folk. and many other purely American dishes and ice water are referred to as indigestion promoters. "All this," says the writer, "the American eats with relish. They are the dishes of the city and of the country. He balks at only four things-frankfurter sausages. sauerkraut, buttermilk and limburge cheese. These he calls 'Dutch foods.'

Take a long potato and bore a hole through it lengthwise for a holder and shave the outside down with a sharr knife until it can be easily handled When ready to send the flowers, place their stems in the potato and wrap around this a piece of wet sheet cotton. Over this wrap a sheet of tin foil, carefully covering every part of the holder. The moisture cannot penetrate the paper and will be retained for a long time.—Suburban Life.

Where They Agreed. "But I am so unworthy, darling!" he murmured as he held the dear girl's band in his.

"Oh, George," she sighed, "if you and papa agreed on every other point as you do on that, how happy we would be!"



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SOUTHBOUND.

Sorrows of life enable us to apprect ate the joys thereof.

It's easy to talk philosophically if you are not personally interested.

Instead of trying to beat his record the average man should try to forget it.

Most of the things we learn from experience come under the head of compulsory education.

It has been observed that the average man is never so happy as when he is posing as a critic.

Don't forget that the brownstone front usually depends on a homely brick rear for support.

If sympathy could be converted into cash, it's doughnuts to fudge there wouldn't be so much of it wasted.

Chicago News.

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